COMING SOON TO MOUNT VERNON!

TTY & EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION TRAINING OFFERED IN MOUNT VERNON – SEPT 25TH

- What equipment do people with hearing loss and speech disability use to call 9-1-1?
- What are VCO and HCO?
- What will you do with the silent call?
- What is the best way to call people with hearing loss and speech disability?
- Is it true that handling 9-1-1 calls via relay services is considered as direct call?
- Can you communicate different ways with American Sign Language translation?

Come to the training to find out! A FREE initial training on TTY and effective communication access to Deaf, Deaf-Blind, Hard of Hearing, and speech disabled callers is being offered to primary & secondary PSAP and WSP telecommunicators in Mount Vernon on Tuesday, **September 25, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.** See below for location.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY! Please register before or on Wednesday, September 19, 2012.

LOCATION Skagit 911 Annex training room 2911 E College Way Mount Vernon, WA 98273 (360) 428-3211 Dispatch

The initial cultural training includes:

- an overview of callers (Deaf, Deaf-Blind, Hard of Hearing, Speech Disabled)
- how to communicate with these populations via TTY, phone and relay services
- technologies and relay services used by Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing people
- FCC regulations on local 10-digit phone numbers & emergency handling of calls via relay services
- American Sign Language (ASL)
- TTY Protocol
- ASL/English translation exercises
- Hand-On TTY practice

Please RSVP at least 4 working days prior to the training and/or for more information, email to Donna Platt, the manager of Emergency Education Program at dplatt@hsdc.org, Fax 206-328-6871; Phone 206-452-7967 or 206-323-5770.

See you at the training!